



A CHRISTMAS PRAYER

Madonna, with thy snow-white wings,
Across the whole broad earth unfurled,
Let one poor soul creep under them,
And pass far upward on its way.
Madonna, mother, gracious and
Forgive the wrongs by mortal done—
Receive this prayer, I kneel to thee,
Forever on thy gracious breast!

I cannot travel hence, I know,
There is a life that I must live;
But let thy presence round me shed
Such peace as only thou canst give.
Madonna, mother, thou art sweet!
Love-hungry, tossed, I seek thy feet,
Thou, looking down and smiling me,
Thou'lt spread thy wings compassionately.
—Augusta Prescott.

MORE MUSIC FOR CHRISTMAS.

The Programmes Have Been Care-
fully Selected.

THE CHOIRS ARE WELL TRAINED.

Many of the Selections Will be Ren-
dered in a Manner that Reflects
Credit Upon the Directors as
Well as the Singers

The music in the city churches today
will be of a high order, and it will be one of the
pleasantest features of Christmas Day. The
programmes to be rendered today will
have been carefully selected, and the
choirs have mastered the music so as
to please lovers of melody.

Below will be found a number of pro-
grammes to be rendered today which
were not published with a large number
of Christmas programmes in last Sun-
day's Times.

ST. JAMES.

The music at this church is invariably
of a high order, and it will be one of the
pleasantest features of Christmas Day. The
programme is as follows:
Morning Service—Organ voluntary,
Paraphrase Jerusalem, the Golden;
Vivente in F (Organ); Festival Te Deum in
D (Breed); Jubilate (Breed); Offertory, "I
Came Upon the Midnight Hour" (Breed);
Recessional, "March Pontifical" (Lenth).

Evening Service—Organ voluntary, Pil-
grim's Chorus from Tannhauser; Magni-
cat, Tourn (Wagner); Benedict Anna in
D (Breed); Recessional, Festival March
(Lenth).

The choir is composed as follows:

Soprano—Mrs. E. J. Duval, Miss Carrie
Lewin, Miss Lila Kidd, Miss Corrie
Kidd, Miss Lila Gray, Miss Ethel Kenney,
Miss Mabel, Miss Thelma, Miss Bruce,
and Miss Payne.
Alto—Miss Frances Dicks, Miss Lillian
Taylor, and Miss Mabel Dicks.
Tenor—Messrs. Frank Cunningham,
Jr., William Henning, David Wilson, Dr.
E. M. Hardy, and Charles Smith.
Bass—Messrs. James E. Hark, Charles
Charles M. Auster, Benjamin Brock-
brough, and James Taylor.
Directress—Miss Helen Stockell.
Organist—Mr. Ernest Crosby.

GRACE EPISCOPAL.

Hymn, No. 41—"While the Shepherds
Watched"

Offertory—"Brightest and Best"—Hans-
cock.

Recessional Hymn, No. 53—"O Little
Town of Bethlehem."

Organ Postlude—Entrée de Procession
in B-flat—Breed.

The choir is composed of the following
members:

Soprano—Miss Lily Uppshart, Miss
Nellie Leach, Miss Abbie Gwynne, Mrs.
Arthur Taylor, Miss Bernard Harvie, Miss
Eleanor Archer, Miss Kate Harkness,
Florence Wilson, Miss Mabel, Miss
Miss Betty Christian, Miss Eleanor Car-
rington, Miss Elizabeth McCreary, Miss
Miss Lynn, Miss Evelyn Bridges, Miss Mabel
McLain, Miss May Greener, Miss Eliza
Harvey, Miss Louise Carrington.
Tenor—Messrs. Adolphus Blair, C. L.
Cook, Wm. Taylor, Jas. P. Lay, J. De
Treville, J. Overton Sales, G. Peter Jones.
Bass—Jas. P. White, Jas. McLean,
Balden Wake, William Bridges.
Organist—Dr. W. H. O. McGeehan.
Director—Jas. F. White.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH.

(H. A. M.)

Prelude—Andante in G—Mozart.

Hymn—"O Come All Ye Faithful"—

Reading—John and Robinson.

Vivente—Jackson.

Te Deum—Jackson.

Jubilate Deo—Selected.

Gloria—Tid-Selected.

Hymn—"Christians Awake"—Falter.

Offertory (in B-flat)—Nava.

Gloria in Excelsis (in G).

Hymn—"I Came Upon a Midnight
Clear"—Willis.

Sanctus (in C).

Postlude—Chaplin op. 45.

(H. P. M.)

Prelude—Andante—Boswell.

Hymn—"Hark, the Herald Angels"

—Gloria—Kettle.

Gloria in Excelsis (in E-flat).

Magnificat—Kettle.

Nunc Dimittis—Langdon.

Hymn—"O Little Town of Bethlehem"

—Holtzer.

Offertory—Jed (in E-flat)—Petropolis.

Hymn—"While Shepherds Watched"

—Tanner.

Postlude—Allegretto—arranged from
Gale.

Leader—Mrs. W. G. Dicks.

Organist and Director—C. L. Petropolis.

SACRED HEART.

Mr. Moses Stein has assumed direction
of this choir, and a marked improve-
ment is manifest in the work. The Christmas-
Day music will be as follows:

Processional—Bells, Gounod's "Nan-
ette," by Mrs. W. B. Munn; Kyrie, Glor-
ia, Credo, Sanctus, and Agnus Dei, from
Leopold's Third Mass in A; Adagio
Prelude (Novelty) offertory, Violin solo,
Hark, the Herald Angels, by Mr. Stein.

The following constitute the choir:

Soprano—Misses Mollie and Lella Powell.

Alto—Miss Lucile Pinnell, Mrs. Thomas
Smith.

Read—Messrs. W. B. Pinnell, Dr. Mc-
Gowan, W. J. Pinnell.

Tenor—Messrs. W. E. Reddy, W. Ryan,
and M. Stein.

Organist—Miss Margie Keres.

Leader—Mr. Moses Stein.

GROVE AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH.

Prelude, Coronation March (Gregory);

organ, carol and violin.

Anthem, about the Good Tidings, the
boy choir.

Quarney, Old Hundred, the congrega-
tion and choir.

Anthem, Adagio Fidelity (Novello) the
boy choir.

Solo, Jesus of Nazareth, (Gounod) Miss
Breed.

Hymn 19, Half Thou Long Expected
Jesus, the congregation and choir.

Anthem, See Now the Altar, (Gounod)
Mr. C. C. Crump and the two choirs.

Hymn 19, Hark What Means Those
Holy Voices, the congregation and choir.

Recessional, Offertory, (Weir) organ
and instruments.

The choir is composed of the following:

Soprano—Miss African Fisher, Miss
Eddie Phillips, Mrs. M. B. Ramos.

Alto—Miss Minnie Gibbs, Mrs. Eugene
Robinson.

Tenor—Mr. Eugene Robinson, Mr. Wm.
B. Wood.

Bass—Mr. Charles C. Crump, Mr.
Fleming Phillips.

The Boy Choir—Ashley Walton, Page
Ramos, Spruel Ramos, James Peters,
Stuart Haglund, Edward Barnes, Ashley
Savage, Gilbert Billings, Manly Ramos,
Ernest Kendler, Stanley Blanton, Julian
McCarthy, Robert Beverly, Norman
Phillips, Joseph Ramos, Olynthus Peters,
Edward Roland, Arthur Craddock, Em-
mette Bailey, Freddie Pollard.

Organist and Director—Mr. M. B.
Ramos.

Solo—Clarinet—Professor Edward
Thurston.

Solo Violin—Professor John Reinhardt.

IN MANCHESTER.

Mrs. A. C. Harding, chorister and or-
ganist of the Bainbridge Street Baptist
church has arranged the following pro-
gramme: "Behold! I Bring You Good
Tidings" (Barby); "Sanctus" by Gounod;
Adagio Fidelity; Te Deum, by Steph-
ens.

These ladies and gentlemen compose the
choir:

Soprano—Misses Coley Lovell, Lella
Robertson, Julia Goode, Minnie Jones,
Page Snellings.

Alto—Misses Ethel Harding, Shirley
Walton, Florie Moody.

Tenor—Messrs. D. D. Harrison and
Eddie Burton.

Bass—Messrs. John Roach, Woodson
Dunnally, and Harvey Harding.

CLOFTON STREET.

The Sunday-school of Clifton Street
Baptist church will have a Christmas tree
during the holidays for the children. On
the Sunday school church is given by
the leadership of Mr. W. J. Morrisette, will
render some excellent music appropriate
to the occasion. The choir is composed
of the following:

Soprano—Misses Rosa Turnley, Annie
Dakam, Minnie Hays, Melames H. A.
Habeck, W. H. Marshall, W. W. Hous-
ens.

Alto—Miss Mabel Clements, Mesdames
W. R. Harkit, and T. J. Morrisette.
Tenor—Messrs. J. W. Powell, H. A.
Morrisette, and W. M. Jones.

Bass—Messrs. E. S. Harvett, J. T.
Morrisette, M. L. Wood, and B. H. Mor-
risette.

Organist—Miss Capple Clements.

FIFTH STREET CHURCH SERVICE.

The music to be sung Sunday at Fifth-
Street Methodist church is given by
The Herald Angels Song, anthem: "Joy to
the World," hymn: "When Marched on the
Nativity Plain," hymn: Hosanna to
God, anthem: "To Us a Child of Hope Is
Born," hymn.

The following compose the choir:

Leader—S. P. Jones.

Organist—Miss Pearl Spain.

Soprano—Mesdames Mollie Metcalf,
Ella Fidler, Margie Westcott, Mattie
Albany, Misses C. J. Andrews, Clara
Wright, Della Bradshaw, and Grace
Metcalf.

Alto—Mrs. C. C. Jones, and Miss Min-
nie Wyrick.

Tenor—J. E. Turner.

Bass—G. W. Fyfe, L. A. Baka, J. P.
Jones, and S. P. Jones.

CENTRAL METHODIST.

The music to be rendered by the choir
of Central Methodist church on
Christmas-Day is as follows:

"Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne," A.
N. C. hymn 68, "Hark! What Means Those
Holy Voices," "Gloria in Excelsis,"
Hunt; hymn 73, "Angels From the Realms
of Glory," "Sing, O Heavens," E. A.

FUNERAL OF MR. RADY.

Remains Interred in the Family Sec-
tion at Hollywood.

The remains of the late Charles P.
Rady were laid to rest in the family
section at Hollywood yesterday after-
noon.

The funeral services were held from
Trinity church at 12 o'clock, and an im-
pressive gathering of sorrowing friends of
the deceased filled the church to pay
their last respects to the memory of the
deceased.

Rev. J. T. Maaten, pastor of the church,
spoke feelingly of the deceased. He re-
ferred to their first meeting at a celebra-
tion of Melodists in the city of Petersburg,
at which Mr. Rady was a leading spirit,
and he spoke of the great pleasure he
experienced in finding Mr. Rady the
superintendent of Trinity Sunday school
when he took charge of that church,
where the most pleasant associations
were formed and continued to the death
of Mr. Rady.

Dr. A. L. Brown also spoke and re-
viewed the life work of the deceased. He
referred touchingly to the many good
things that had been done by the de-
ceased.

Lrs. Garland, Tudor, Starr, and Reed
also took part in the services. Dr. Starr
leading in prayer.

The music was specially impressive,
the Trinity choir being assisted by that of
Centenary church, and Captain Frank W.
Cunningham sang "Abide With Me."

The gathering represented all classes of
citizens, and delegates from Lee Camp,
Richmond-Randolph Lodge of Masons,
the City School Board, and a number of
secret societies mingled with a host of
other friends.

Many beautiful offerings in the shape
of flowers covered the bier, and many
friends and admirers who could not get
to the church looked after the cortege
sorrowfully as it proceeded toward Holly-
wood, where the remains were interred
with Masonic ceremonies.

SERVICES IN THE CHURCHES TO-DAY

Christmas Sermons and Those Who
Will Preach.

A PERSIAN AT THE Y. M. C. A.

Handsome Decorations at St. Paul's
Interesting Services at Monu-
mental Church of the B.
Y. P. U. of Richmond.

The Men's Meeting held each Sunday
at the Young Men's Christian Associa-
tion is steadily increasing in numbers,
and the next few months will undoubt-
edly see some of the largest meetings in
the Association's history, the meetings
are not only increasing in numbers but
also in efficiency.

This afternoon Mr. S. Y. Hosanna,
of Orono, Maine, a student at the Phil-
adelphia, will address the meeting, illus-
trating his address with a number of
stereoscopic views. He will speak upon
"Persia and its People," giving a good
idea of the land, its people and their sur-
ferings. The Association Hall will be
darkened so as to make the stereoscopic
as efficient as at night, and every man
in the city of Richmond is invited to be
present at this meeting. Mr. Hosanna is
preparing himself for a medical mission-
ary and his talk will not only be enter-
taining, but instructing and elevating.

The Boy's Gospel Army will be held as
usual at three o'clock, opened with a
Christmas song service. Mr. S. Y. Hosanna
will speak on "The Life of Persian
Boys." Every member of the junior de-
partment as well as other boys is asked
to attend this meeting.

The Workers' Training Class and Gym-
nasium Bible Study Club and the Evan-
gelistic Bible Class will meet at the regu-
lar hour, viz.: 5:35 o'clock. A cordial in-
vitation is extended to all men. The four
o'clock committee will meet for con-
ference and prayer at 3:30 in the Asso-
ciation Parlor.

AT ST. PAUL'S.

Christmas services at St. Paul's church
promise to be of an unusually interesting
character. For the first time in many
years the church has been decorated
with evergreen, holly and running cedar,
the work being done by the members of
the congregation. Ropes of evergreen
have been extended from the center of
the church to each corner, while in the
rear of the chancel a large evergreen star
is suspended, in the center of which is
a smaller star composed of electric
globes, the effect of which is very at-
tractive.

The music will be of a very high order,

under the leadership of Prof. Reinhardt
organist and choirmaster. The choir
now numbers about 50 voices.

At the morning service the Rt. Rev.
Francis M. Whittle will officiate and
preach. There will be no night service,
but in the afternoon at 4 o'clock the two
Sunday-schools connected with the church
will hold their annual Christmas celebra-
tion.

On this occasion, the school from the
Chapel on the canal bank, and from the
church proper, will assemble with their
class banners, and sing the Christmas
carols. Mr. Burton Mountcastle will as-
sist in the choral exercises with his cor-
net.

Rev. Preston Nash will deliver an ad-
dress and the children will bring their
offerings of clothing, toys and
money for the poor children.

CLAY STREET METHODIST.

Clay-Street Methodist Episcopal church
had its "Annual Christmas Offering" for
the poor.

The church was opened yesterday from
8 to 10 P. M., and Monday, Dec. 26th from
8 to 10 A. M., and a committee was
present to receive contributions of money,
provisions, etc., to be distributed among
the poor of their congregation. As is
usual, it is expected that a large offer-
ing will be made by their people.

MONUMENTAL CHURCH.

The services at the Monumental
church to-day will be as follows:
Holy Communion at 7:30 in the
morning service and sermon at
11 A. M., and evening service and sermon
at 4 P. M.

At both morning and evening
services the rector, Rev. W. A. Barr
will preach. The church as usual at
Christmas has been beautifully decorated
and an especially fine musical programme
has been arranged by the choir.

Dr. Witherspoon will occupy his pulpit
at the Grace-Street Presbyterian church
both morning and at night to-day.
His sermons will be appropriate to the
season. His subject for the morning will
be "Jesus, the Son of Mary," and at
night, "The Sons of God."

CHURCH NOTES.

The subject of Rev. Mr. Beauchamp's
sermon at St. James Methodist church to-
night, 7:30 o'clock, will be "Our
Great Peace Treaty." There will be ap-
propriate Christmas music morning and
evening.

LEIGH-STREET BAPTIST.

At Leigh-Street Baptist church this
morning the regular services will
give way to the anniversary exercises
of the Sunday school, which will begin
at 10:30 o'clock. There will be special
music and addresses. At 3:30 P. M. of
ficers for the Sunday school will be
elected. The pastor, Rev. M. Ashby
Jones, will conduct the services at 8
P. M.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN.

Rev. Dr. Henry Alexander White, of
Washington and Lee University, will
preach at the First Presbyterian church
to-night. The pulpit will be filled in the
morning by the pastor, Rev. Dr. R. P.
Kerr.

B. Y. P. U. MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Baptist
Young People's Union of Richmond and
Manchester, will be held on Sunday

afternoon, January 1st, at 3:30, with the
Grace-Street Baptist church. Unions will
assemble at 3:15 for assignment. The fol-
lowing nominations of officers will be
presented for the approval of the organ-
ization as officers for 1899: President,
Hill Montague; vice-president, S. B.
Woodfin; treasurer, M. R. Pace, Jr.;
secretary, Richard B. McCurdy. A large
attendance is earnestly desired from the
various unions connected with the organ-
ization. Owing to the holidays, there will
be no official notices sent, and the various
secretaries are requested to have their
reports ready and submit them at this
meeting. With this meeting begins the
work of preparing for the coming Inter-
national Convention in July. The minis-
ters of the Baptist churches of Richmond
and Manchester are requested to give
this notice at the morning services.

FAIRMONT AVENUE METHODIST.

At Fairmont-Avenue M. E. church there
will be preaching this morning and
night by the pastor, Rev. G. B. Booker,
Jr. The subject of the morning service
will be, "The Proclamation of the
Saviour's Nativity." Subject of evening
service, "The Coronation of the Old
Year." Class meeting at 2:30 P. M.; Ep-
worth League, 7:15 P. M.

SUNRISE MEETING.

There will be a sunrise prayer meeting
at the Gospel Mission, corner of Twenty-
first and Franklin streets, this morning
at 7 o'clock. Rev. W. P. Constable will
have charge of the meeting. Everybody
is welcome.

The regular meeting of the Board of Di-
rectors of the Methodist Sunday-School
Union will be held at the usual time and
place on the first Sunday in January.

EXTRA FARE.

Fine Christmas Dinners at the Various
Institutions.

City Sergeant Kops will give his wards
at the jail an extra dinner, consisting of
roast pig, apples, pies and vegetables.

Superintendent Helms of the Peniten-
tiary will entertain his guests with pot-
pie and a few side dishes.

At the Almshouse Superintendent Davis
will regale the unfortunates with a veri-
table banquet, consisting of turkey and
cocoa, and the other things that go
with it.

The boys at Laurel will be given an
extra collation in commemoration of the
day.

Sheriff Solomon, of the county, has ar-
ranged to present those under his charge
in the county jail with a "lay-out" of
turkey and trimmings.

Officer Griffin's Christmas Tree.

Policeman N. J. Griffin, of the Second
District, is exhibiting to friends a mar-
vel in the line of parlor Christmas de-
corations.

The central place is a giant tree, nine
feet in height that seems to have been
grown especially for the purpose and
whose spreading branches are bent low
with with pretty things.

Beneath the tree is a miniature farm
that takes up a large part of the floor
space of the room.

The children of the household are plan-
ning for an illumination Monday even-
ing, when the tree will be disposed of
its Yule-tide glory.

